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ANTHONY STAPLETON); EUR/PPD (LILLIAN DEVALCOURT)  
E.O. 12958: N/A  
TAGS: [OEXC](#) [SCUL](#) [FR](#)  
SUBJECT: FY 2006 IVLP - NOMINATION AND PART I BIODATA FOR ONE  
PRINCIPAL CANDIDATE FOR EURP - BIOTECHNOLOGY AND FOOD SAFETY  
(JUNE 5 - 23, 2006)

REF: STATE 004520

POST WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE ONE PRINCIPAL CANDIDATE FOR  
SUBJECT PROGRAM: MRS. HELENE MORAUT-PESTANES.

START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):  
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ECA-OFFICE: E/VGE  
PROG-AGENCY-NAME:  
POST-PROJ-ID: 278  
ECA-PROJ-NO:  
PROJ-NAME: FY 2006 - EURP Biotechnology and Food Safety  
START MEMO PROJ-DESC:  
This project is designed for government officials,  
politicians, and academics actively developing or interpreting  
issues related to biotechnology and food safety. The program  
will review the environmental implications of genetically  
engineered products; provide an overview of food safety  
policies in the U.S.; examine food security issues, and  
analyze the potential impact of biotechnology on the world's  
food supply and international agricultural trade.  
END MEMO PROJ-DESC:  
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SUBJ-DISC: Biotechnology  
START BIO:  
PREFIX: Mrs  
F-NAME: Helene  
M-NAME:  
L-NAME: Moraut-Pestanes  
SUFFIX:  
POSITION-CODE: 0  
PRINCIPAL?: Yes  
M-ADDR1: AFSSA  
M-ADDR2: 27-31, avenue du General Leclerc  
M-ADDR3: BP 19  
M-CITY: Maisons-Alfort  
M-STATE:  
M-CNTRY: France  
M-ZONE: 94701 cedex  
M-ZIP:  
M-PHONE: + (33) 1.49.77.26.78  
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M-EMAIL: h.moraut@afssa.fr  
M-CNTRY-ID: FR  
M-ADDRTYPE: B  
GENDER: F  
DOB: 05/29/1973  
MAR-STAT: M  
BIRTH-CITY: Versailles  
BIRTH-CNTRY: France

CITIZ-CNTRY: France  
 RES-CNTRY: France  
 START MEMO POSITION:  
 In charge of communication, AFSSA (French Food Safety Agency),  
 since March 2005  
 END MEMO POSITION:  
 START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
  
 END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
 START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
 2003-2005 - Agriculture and Food Specialist in France's  
 largest consumer association "UFC-Que Choisir"  
 1999-2003 - Director of the French Technical Institute of  
 Organic Agriculture - ITAB  
 1999-2002 - Chief Editor, "Alter-Agri Magazine" (ITAB  
 publication)  
 1997-1999 - Project manager in the regional Chamber of  
 Agriculture of Champagne-Ardenne  
 END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
 START MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
 None  
 END MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
 START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
 Africa - 1996, internship  
 Oceania - Tourism  
 END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
 START MEMO EDUCATION:  
 1993-1996 - Master of Science in Agronomy and Economics, Paris  
 University of Agronomy  
 END MEMO EDUCATION:  
 START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
 - ACCIR: association of North-South cooperation  
 - Max Havelaar: French national association for fair trade  
 - FERT: rural organization in Madagascar  
 END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
 START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
 1999-2002 - "Alter-Agri Magazine" organic agriculture  
 publication  
 1998 - Action plan for the development of organic agriculture  
 in the Champagne-Ardenne region  
 1995 - INRA (French Research Institute in Agronomy)  
 publication on domesticated animals and environment management  
 END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
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 NOMINATING-OFFICER: Marie-Cecile Henard  
 START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
 Helene Moraut-Pestanes is in charge of communication in the  
 French Food Safety Agency - AFSSA. Thanks to her technical  
 and regulatory expertise in food safety, nutrition,  
 biotechnology, international farm policies and environment,  
 she is the person explaining complex and technical AFSSA  
 recommendations and reports to the press and the public. She  
 is therefore a key-person to educate about the U.S. regulatory  
 framework on risk assessment and communication on risk in the  
 farm and food sector. With her professional expertise in  
 organic and biotechnology, learning about these sectors in the  
 United States would help her understand the technical and  
 economical feasibility of their coexistence. Biotech and non-  
 biotech coexistence is currently the key-issue in France and  
 other European Union Member States, as it is not regulated at  
 the European level.  
 For Helene Moraut-Pestanes and AFSSA, building contacts in the  
 United States with agencies in charge of risk evaluation and  
 communication on risk in food safety, nutrition, organic and  
 biotechnology would be helpful to improve consumer education  
 and adjust the information provided to consumers to their  
 demands and fears. She could contribute to change French  
 consumer perception of biotech products in food.  
  
 END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
 NOM-OFF: AGR - U.S. Embassy Paris, France

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VIS-CAT:  
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